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SPECIFICATION AMENDMENTS:

Kindly amend the third paragraph on page 11 and the fourth paragraph on page 11 extending to page 12 as follows --

Fig. 4 shows a section view of an advantageous further development of a two layer~~the~~ absorbent body ~~layer~~26. The ~~storage layer~~two layer absorbent body 26 has a preferably SAP-free, melt-blown fiber layer 28 on one side as a further absorbent layer. The diameter of the fibers of this layer is 2 to 3µm. The mass per unit area is only 4g/m^2. Towards this end, a thin melt-blown fiber layer is directly disposed on the above-described inventive storage layer using a further downstream melt-blown fiber forming unit (5, 12, 13) such that this melt-blown fiber layer and the absorbent body layer form an adhesive bond. The third melt-blown fiber forming unit (6, 7, 14, 16) shown in Fig. 3 is deactivated.

Fig 5 shows~~In~~ a further advantageous development of ~~the~~a three layer absorbent body ~~layer~~30~~,~~ ~~the storage layer~~The three layer absorbent body 30 has absorbent layers on both sides, in particular SAP-free melt-blown fiber layers ~~32~~28 ~~(Fig. 5)~~. This further development of the absorbent body layer can be produced by disposing a first thin melt-blown fiber layer directly on the first surface of the above-described inventive storage layer ~~22~~20 using a subsequent further melt-blown fiber forming unit (5, 12, 13) as described above. This layer compound is subsequently turned using conventional methods (reference numeral 6) and then a second thin layer of melt-blown fibers is directly disposed in an analogous fashion on the second surface of the storage layer, using a subsequent further melt-blown fiber forming unit (7, 14, 15). --.

FIGURE AMENDMENTS:

Kindly amend figures 3 and 5 as indicated in the attached copies of replacement sheet drawings.